

ANIMAL SAFETY ALERT

TOXIC Blue-Green Algae

When in Doubt, Stay Out!

If you see a bloom, do not let your pet in the water

- Toxic algal blooms can poison animals, wildlife, and people
- Blooms appear as foam, scum, or streaks on the surface of water
- Look for blooms in lakes, ponds, and rivers
- Toxic blooms can be different colors: green, blue, red, or brown



If your pets go in the water:

- Do not let them lick their fur
- Rinse them with clean water
- Rinse your hands and any exposed skin

Animals can have severe signs within minutes to hours. Look for these signs:

- Seizures
- Drooling
- Paralysis
- Weakness
- Tremors
- Diarrhea
- Stumbling
- Low energy
- Vomiting
- Not eating



If your pet becomes ill, call your veterinarian immediately

Report animal poisonings to your local health department:

